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PSC SETS HEARING SCHEDULE IN TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT CASE

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission will hold a hearing on **December 7, 2006**, in an electric territorial agreement case filed by The Empire District Electric Company and Ozark Electric Cooperative.

The hearing is scheduled to begin at 9:00 am in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. The Governor Office Building meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearing should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

The Empire District Electric Company and Ozark Electric Cooperative seek Commission approval of a territorial agreement which designates the boundaries of each electric supplier within two tracts of land in Greene and Christian County, just south of Republic, Missouri.

The joint application states the territorial agreement does not require the transfer of any facilities or customers between the applicants. The application also states that establishment of exclusive service territories will prevent future duplication of electric service facilities and will also allow electric service customers within the area to know with certainty the supplier of their electric service.

The territorial agreement case has been consolidated with a case filed by The Empire District Electric Company which seeks a waiver from certain provisions of its tariff regarding installation costs for electric service and the cost of installing decorative street lighting for one specific subdivision (The Lakes at Shuyler Ridge Subdivision) located near Republic.